

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method is described for printing coded marks on identification plates for cables and electrical equipment, such as switches, remote control switches, terminals and the like. The print operation is executed by hot transfer or sublimation of ink from a support ribbon (6) to a printable surface (3b) of a card (3) bearing the plates (2), individually connected to moulding blanks (4) by means of frangible portions (2a, 2b). The printing operation can be executed by means of a peripheral printing unit (7) of the type commonly used for printing credit cards and the like. Alternatively, the coded marks are reproduced on a ribbon shaped support (6) by means of an inkjet or laser peripheral printing unit, and then transferred onto the plates (2) by means of a hot pressing or calendering unit.

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